Abbreviations and Acronyms

- **ACWI** Advisory Committee on Water Information
- **ACF** Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint Basin
- 4 ACUPCC American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment
- **AFRI** Agriculture and Food Research Initiative
- 6 AgMIP Agricultural Model Intercomparison and Improvement Project
- 7 AMAP Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme
- **AR4** IPCC Fourth Assessment Report
- **AR5** IPCC Fifth Assessment Report
- **ASHRAE** American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air conditioning Engineers
- **BLM** Bureau of Land Management
- **C2ES** Center for Climate and Energy Solutions
- **CCHHG** Climate Change and Human Health Group of the USGCRP
- **CDC** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- **CDP** Carbon Disclosure Project
- **CDR** Carbon Dioxide Removal
- 17 CCSP Climate Change Science Program
- **CENRS** Committee on Environment, Natural Resources, and Sustainability
- **CEQ** Council on Environmental Quality
- 20 CICS NC Cooperative Institute for Climate and Satellites, North Carolina
- **CISA** Carolinas Integrated Sciences and Assessments
- **CLIMAS** Climate Assessment for the Southwest
- **CLIVAR** Climate Variability and Prediction
- 24 CMIP3 Third-phase Coupled Model Intercomparison Project
- **CMIP5** Fifth-phase Coupled Model Intercomparison Project
- **CO**₂ Carbon Dioxide
- **COP** Conference of Parties
- **CSC** Climate Science Centers
- **DARPA** Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency
- **DHS** Department of Homeland Security
- **DIVERSITAS** International Program of Biodiversity Science
- **DMS** Digital Mapping System
- **DMUU** Decision Making Under Uncertainty
- **DOC** Department of Commerce
- **DoD** Department of Defense
- **DOE** Department of Energy
- **DOI** Department of the Interior
- **DOS** Department of State
- **DOT** Department of Transportation
- **EaSM** Earth System Models
- **EIA** Energy Information Agency
- **ENSO** El Niño-Southern Oscillation
- **EO** Executive Order
- **EPA** Environmental Protection Agency
- **ERS** Economic Research Service

- **ESM** Earth System Modeling
- 2 FAA Federal Aviation Administration
- 3 FACA Federal Advisory Committee Act
- **FAO** Food and Agriculture Organization
- **FEMA** Federal Emergency Management Agency
- **FEWS** Famine Early Warning Systems
- **FIA** Forest Inventory Analysis
- **FWS** US Fish and Wildlife Service
- **FY** Fiscal Year
- **GAO** Government Accountability Office
- **GCIS** Global Change Information System
- **GCP** Global Carbon Project
- 13 GCRA Global Change Research Act
- **GCRIO** Global Change Research Information Office
- **GDP** Gross Domestic Product
- **GEO** Group on Earth Observations
- **GEWEX** Global Energy and Water Cycle Experiment
- **GHG** Greenhouse Gas
- **GLOBE** Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment
- 20 GOOS Global Ocean Observation System
- **GPS** Global Positioning System
- **GRACE** Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment
- **GRACEnet** Greenhouse Gas Reduction through Agricultural Carbon Enhancement
- 24 network
- **GSA** General Services Administration
- **GWP** Global Warming Potential
- 27 HHS U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- **HPC** High Performance Computing
- **HUC** Hydrological Unit Code
- 30 IAM Integrated Assessment Models
- **IBTrACS** Tropical Cyclone Best Track Data
- **ICCATF** Interagency Climate Change Adaptation Task Force
- **ICLEI** Local Governments for Sustainability
- 34 ICLUS Integrated Climate and Land Use Scenarios
- 35 ICSU International Council of Science
- **IGBP** International Global Biosphere Program
- **IGFA** International Group of Funding Agencies for Global Change Research
- **IHDP** International Human Dimensions Program
- 39 INCA Interagency National Climate Assessment Working Group
- **IOSS** Integrated Ocean Observing System
- **IPCC** Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
- **ITEP** Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals
- **IWG** Interagency Working Group
- **JPSS** Joint Polar Satellite System
- **LCC** Landscape Conservation Cooperative
- **LDCM** Landsat Data Continuity Mission

- 1 LLC Limited Liability Corporation
- 2 LTER Long-Term Ecological Research
- 3 LULC Land Use/Land Cover
- 4 MATCH Metadata Access Tool for Climate and Health
- 5 **MODIS** Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer
- 6 NARCCAP North American Regional Climate Change Assessment Program
- 7 NAS National Academy of Sciences
- 8 NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration
- 9 NCA National Climate Assessment
- 10 NCADAC National Climate Assessment and Development Advisory Committee
- 11 NCAR National Center for Atmospheric Research
- 12 NCCWCS National Climate Change and Wildlife Science Center
- 13 NCDC National Climatic Data Center
- 14 NCEP National Center for Environmental Prediction
- 15 NCO National Coordination Office
- 16 **NDMC** National Drought Mitigation Center
- 17 **NDVI** Normalized Difference Vegetation Index
- 18 **NEO** National Earth Observations
- 19 **NEON** National Ecological Observatory Network
- 20 **NESDIS** National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service
- 21 NGDC National Geophysical Data Center
- 22 **NGO** Non-governmental Organizations
- 23 **NIDIS** National Integrated Drought Information System
- 24 **NIEHS** National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
- 25 NIFA National Institute of Food and Agriculture
- 26 **NIH** National Institutes of Heath
- 27 NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- 28 **NOC** National Ocean Council
- 29 **NPOESS** National Polar-orbiting Operational Environmental Satellite System
- 30 NPS National Park Service
- 31 **NRC** National Research Council
- 32 NRCS Natural Resources Conservation Service
- 33 NSF National Science Foundation
- 34 NSTC National Science and Technology Council
- 35 **NWS** National Weather Service
- 36 **OAR** Oceanic and Atmospheric Research
- 37 **OCO** Orbiting Carbon Observatory
- 38 **OMB** Office of Management and Budget
- 39 **OSTP** Office of Science and Technology Policy
- 40 **OTA** Office of Technology Assessment
- 41 **PAR** Photosynthetically Active Radiation
- 42 **PCAST** President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology
- 43 **PDI** Power Dissipation Index
- 44 **PDSI** Palmer Drought Severity Index
- 45 PNAS Proceedings of the National Academies of Science
- 46 **ppm** parts per million

- 1 **QDR** Quadrennial Defense Review
- 2 **REA** Rapid Ecological Assessment
- 3 **RCC** Regional Climate Centers
- 4 **RCP** Representative Concentration Pathways
- 5 **REDD+ -** Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation
- 6 **RGGI** Regional Greenhouase Gas Initiative
- 7 **RISA** Regional Integrated Sciences and Assessments
- 8 SBE NSF Directorate for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences
- 9 SCAN Soil Climate Analysis Network
- 10 SCIPP Southern Climate Impacts Planning Program
- 11 **SEC** Securities and Exchange Commission
- 12 **SEES** Science, Engineering, and Education for Sustainability
- 13 **SERDP** Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program
- 14 SGCR Subcommittee for Global Change Research
- 15 **SNOTEL** Snowpack Telemetry
- 16 **SOCCR -** State of the Carbon Cycle Report
- 17 SFRCCC Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact
- 18 SREX Special Report on Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to
- 19 Advance Climate Change Adaptation
- 20 **SRM** Solar Radiation Management
- 21 SSREN Special Report on Renewable Energy Sources and Climate Change Mitigation
- 22 SSS Sea Surface Salinity
- 23 SST Sea Surface Temperature
- 24 STEM Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
- 25 **TIR** Technical Input Report
- 26 **TSU** Technical Support Unit
- 27 UCAR University Corporation for Atmospheric Research
- 28 UK United Kingdom
- 29 **UNEP** United Nations Environment Programme
- 30 **UNFCCC** United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
- 31 USACE U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- 32 USAID U.S. Agency for International Development
- 33 NPN National Phenology Network
- 34 USACE US Army Corps of Engineers
- 35 USDA U.S. Department of Agriculture
- 36 USFS U.S. Forest Service
- 37 USGCRP U.S. Global Change Research Program
- 38 USGS U.S. Geological Society
- 39 **VIC** Variable Infiltration Capacity
- 40 VMT Vehicle Miles Traveled
- 41 WAPA Western Area Power Administration
- 42 **WESTFAS** Western Federal Agency Support Team
- 43 WCRP World Climate Research Programme
- 44 WGA Western Governor's Association
- 45 **WSWC** Western States Water Council
- 46 **WMO** World Meteorological Organization